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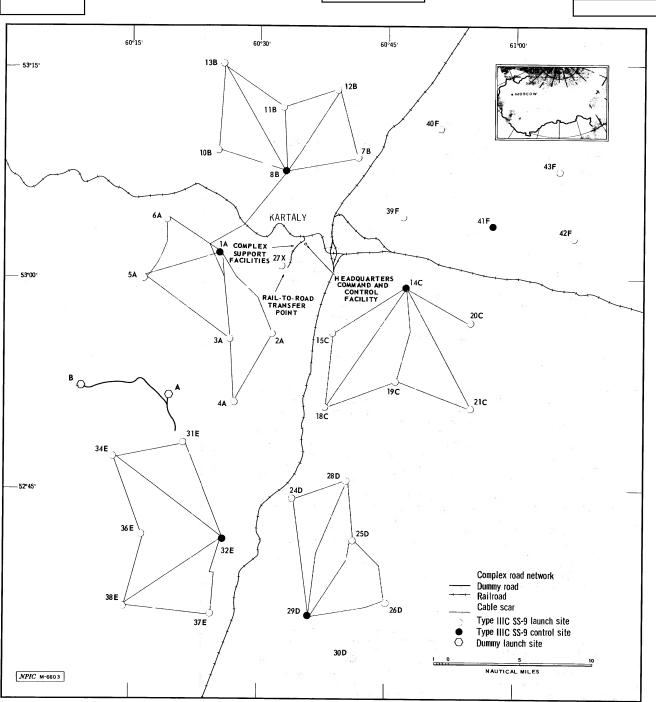


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	Launch Facilities	25X1
25X1	Construction of launch group A is estimated to have started in construction was started on launch groups B and C. Launch groups D and E were started in and group A was completed. In launch group D was completed and group F, the latest group, was begun. When last observed in group launch group F, the latest group, was begun. When last observed in E was not yet complete and group F contained only five sites in an early stage of contained only group the started in group F contained only five sites in an early stage of contained only group F contained only five sites in an early stage of contained only group F contained F contained only group F contained only group F contained only gr	25X1 25X1
25X1	struction. The first launch sites at the complex required 26 months to complete. However, two and are now only in a sites in launch group E, which were started in and are now only in a late stage of construction, are estimated to be completed in of this year after a period of approximately 30 months. Two dummy SS-9 launch sites are north of launch group E. These sites (designated A and B), constructed in the were the first dummy ICBM sites observed in the Soviet Union.	25X1 25X1
	Complex Support Facilities The Kartaly complex support facilities ² provide the administrative and logistic requirements for this complex and are typical of those found at other SS-9 complexes. They consist of a railhead and storage area with an adjoining barracks area and an administration and housing area. The railhead and storage area shows no significant change. Materials for launch sites still under construction are apparent along the rail sidings, and several multistory buildings are under construction in the administration and housing area.	
	Headquarters Command and Control	
	The headquarters command and control facility, ³ consisting of a sub-surface concrete control bunker and two aboveground administration-type buildings, is now complete. An antenna field with two fishbone arrays and two horizontal dipoles is adjacent to the facility.	
i	Rail-to-Road Transfer Point The rail-to-road transfer point provides for the receipt, maintenance, inspection, and distribution of missiles, warheads, and propellants. All elements of the facility are currently in use, and several buildings have recently been constructed in the facility. Currently in use, and several buildings have recently been constructed in the facility. Launch site 27X, which is used for training, is now complete. A miniature mockup of Launch site is located adjacent to site 27X. It is approximately one-fifth the an SS-9 launch site is located adjacent to site 27X. It is approximately one-fifth the an SS-9 launch site and may function as a training aid providing an easy-size of a normal SS-9 launch site and may function as a training aid providing an easy-to-see overall layout of a launch site. It was first observed in and is not thought to have any internal structure.	25X1
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